## **Employment First Regional Forums**

## Addendum to Meetings & Concierges Source, L.L.C. Proposal dated May 5, 2014

The Employment First Core Team will coordinate a series of six (6) Regional Forums during the summer of 2014 in the communities of Flagstaff, Lake Havasu City, Phoenix, Sierra Vista, Tucson, and Yuma.

The purpose of the Regional Forums is to:

- Acquaint people with the issues and to gather input from Arizona stakeholders to develop and support a sustainable strategic plan that can contribute to greater employment opportunities;
- Develop a shared statewide understanding of the goals of the Employment First Initiative at the local level, communicate state goals and priorities, and identify local priorities;
- Hear from individuals, families, advocates, and other stakeholders and to gather their input for development of a strategic plan;
- Each region is unique in its attitudes towards integrated community-based employment due to variations in economic conditions and availability of resources;
- Recruit and engage high schools and transition specialists, with a focus on transition from high school to the world of work;
- Forums will be formatted to encourage dialogue;
- Incorporate data and information collected from the Regional Forums and convene the strategic planning group to develop a sustainable plan that is outcome oriented.

## **Please Note:**

- 1. Meetings & Concierges Source, L.L.C. estimated hours are 32 at \$75 for an estimated total of \$2,400 for their services;
- 2. This amount does not include room rental, AV (screen & microphone), and refreshments for each Regional Forum, approximate total for each location is estimated to be \$1,000, estimated total is \$6.000:
- 3. Total for Employment First Regional Forums is \$8,400.